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Irish Day at Mount Uniacke

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It's not blarney, just lots of fun. Irish music, dance, songs and stories when Uniacke Estate Museum Park, Mount Uniacke celebrates Irish Day, Sunday, Aug. 9, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Back in the early 1800s, the estate was the home of Richard John Uniacke and his large family. They spent their summers entertaining at this grand estate. Celebrate Uniacke's Irish roots at Uniacke Estate Museum Park this weekend. Discover Irish history in Nova Scotia and enjoy Irish-flavoured fun.

Admission is free. Entertainment is sponsored in part by the Charitable Irish Society. Events take place under the tent and at Uniacke House.

Schedule:

11:30 a.m. - Irish Roots: Story of the Charitable Irish Society with Bob Harvey

12:00 p.m. - Traditional music by An cumman Ceili Band with John Goodman, Uilleann Pipes

1:00 p.m. - Irish Dance performed by the Metro Irish Dancers, directed by Beth Greene

1:30 p.m. - Demonstration of basic Irish Dance steps for everyone to try.

2:00 p.m. - Brian Cuthbertson, writer and Uniacke family descendant talks about the Uniackes and family gatherings at the estate. This will take place in the Uniacke House.

2:00 p.m. - Matthew D. McGuire, Colin Rankin and Jeff MacDonald perform Irish songs, play traditional fiddle tunes and tell you about the roots of Irish music. This takes place in the tent.

3:00 p.m. - Join the interpreters for Fun and Games of the 1800s. The way children might have played at Uniacke Estate in the past.

3:30 p.m. - A musical grand finale with musicians and dancers celebrating Irish tradition.

Everyone is invited to bring a picnic lunch and their own lawn chairs. The Post Road Tea Room will be open.

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